



**PATENT APPLICATION**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Date December 28, 2004

In re the Application of

Didier RAOULT et al.

Group Art Unit: 1645

Application No.: 09/936,921

Examiner: P. Baskar

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Docket No.: 110530

For: DIAGNOSIS OF WHIPPLE'S DISEASE

**LARGE ENTITY PETITION FOR 1<sup>st</sup> - 3<sup>rd</sup> EXTENSION  
OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) AND  
TRANSMITTAL OF FEE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.17**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a response to the outstanding Official Action in the above-identified patent application. The shortened statutory period having expired October 28, 2004, an extension of time for a period of 2 month is hereby requested. A one month extension of time having been paid on November 10, 2004, attached hereto is our Check No. 162015 in the amount of \$340.00 in payment for:

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